

Railroad Matters.

LOUISVILLE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD.

On the New Albany and Chicago Railroad, Dec. 3, passenger trains will leave as follows:

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Texas Intelligence.

A gentleman connected with the Quartermaster's Department, informs the Galveston News that, unless the Government furnishes more of smaller denominations soon, he fears he will be unable to make any more money.

The planter is unable to use the \$100 and \$500 notes.

SAT.—Excellent salt is said to be made, and any quantity obtained, at the saline, in Freestone county.

Is Houston in Danger?—Commenting upon the proceedings of a meeting held at Houston for the purpose of effecting a thorough military organization, the Telegraph thus holds forth:

We have so often expressed our opinion on the subject of the action contemplated by the resolutions, that we have very little to say which would not be a repetition. It does seem to us, however, that our people do not realize their actual situation. They repose in a false security, and slumber upon a mine which may any day explode and overwhelm them in utter ruin. We know that many think that Houston will be in no danger, even if Galveston is occupied by the enemy. Upon what this hypothesis is founded, or what good reason can be assigned for such an opinion, we are utterly at a loss to conceive. With Galveston in possession of the enemy, ten thousand men would be inadequate to the task of guarding the exposed points on our coast where the enemy could land in easy striking distance of Houston. Five thousand men on Virginia Point could easily be flanked on both sides by an enemy in possession of both the Gulf and the Bay. Such is the truth, and it is well for our people to understand it.

We must get ready to defend the approaches to Houston, and we have delayed so long that there is but little time left for preparation.

The Austin Intelligence mentions a rumor that returns received after the inauguration of Gov. Lubbock, gave Clark a majority over him of some three hundred votes. The Gazette says it is not true; that no returns have been received since the official canvass, and there is no doubt if all the votes were in, Lubbock's majority would be increased.

The Intelligence says an old man named Samuel Lane, was killed by the Indians about two miles from the town of Comstock, in Comstock county.

The Gazette says the amount of money in the treasury for distribution for school uses is much smaller than for any previous year, owing to the failures of the railroad companies to pay interest on the school fund loaned them.

The Galveston Messenger notices the passage through Galveston of several ox carts loaded with cotton for Mexico. The cotton was shipped by merchants of Galveston, Victoria, and Lavaca, and was expected to reach the coast in exchange for goods. This is right and we are glad to see it. Nothing will go further toward maintaining friendly relations with Mexico than this interchange of commodities.

The Nacogdoches Chronicle learns that several persons have engaged in salt making at the salines near that place, which exists in great abundance. Appearances indicate that salt will be a cheap article in Texas ere long.—Houston Telegraph, Dec. 6.

Brownsville, as we learn from a letter in the Galveston News, is in a most defensible position than since its occupancy by Confederate troops. It is now considered ready to receive Old Abe's invasion, via Mexico. The News has also the following:

Many droves of beavers are being sent from various parts of Texas to New Orleans.

A large bark passed this city yesterday (6th) morning, sailing westward, and passing within five or six miles of our coast, she was in plain view from our look-out. Reliable and good judges, who observed her with my glass, say she was covered with armed men. Her destination is only a matter of conjecture. We shall probably hear from her.

The Dallas Herald says:

Diphtheria, we learn, is prevailing to an alarming extent in the neighborhoods between Dallas and Cedar Hill. It is said that fourteen children have died with this terrible scourge within the last ten days.

The Galveston Civilian, of the 6th, has the following items:

A large man-of-war vessel passed our bar, going west, yesterday. Look out!

The Third Regiment, Colonel Steele, of Sibley's brigade, has left for Arizona. We trust these three thousand gallant men will find a field of glory, to recompense them for the tolls of march and privations before them.

Colonel Moore's Regiment has left us for Houston, where, we suppose, it will be stationed, with a view of being sent to the first point assailed by the enemy. Should the attack be made on either this point, the Sabine, or the Brazos, it will be found that General Herbert has so disposed his forces as to bring them to bear without delay.

The Houston Telegraph has a report from private letters, that Col. Reilly had reached the movable property, public and private, was being removed to Houston. Hon. W. P. Hill arrived at home a few days ago, from whom we gain substantially the following facts:

On the 20th ult. a council of war was held at Galveston, at which it was determined that it was impossible to defend the city successfully. The largest guns at the fortifications upon the island were 32 pounders, smooth bore, having a range not exceeding two miles, while the enemy's guns were of the largest calibre, and with accuracy three or four miles. To wait an attack was simply to invite the surrender or destruction of our troops and the city, without the power of inflicting injury upon the assailants. It was therefore decided, under all the circumstances, to evacuate Galveston and occupy a position in the rear of the city, so as to repel any advance of the Federal troops after they had landed. In consequence of this determination, an order was issued for the removal of all the hospital patients from Galveston to Houston, which was accomplished immediately. All the public and private property was being rapidly removed to Houston, when Judge Hill left Galveston. The proprietor of the News had rented a house in Houston, and announced that his next issue would be printed in that city, and all the other newspaper establishments, it is supposed, have done the same. The guns have been removed from the different fortifications, and the troops have fallen back to the terminus of the railroad bridge on the island, and a still larger force stationed at Virginia Point, on the main land.

Court of Appeals.

FRANKFURT, Dec. 21, 1861.

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Another British Precedent.—Judge R. P. Spalding concludes a letter in the Leader on the Trent affair with the following postscript:

P. B.—Since penning the foregoing, I have been told by an aged shipmaster, now in this city, that in the year 1810 the American ship Hercules, Capt. Edward West, of Salem, sailed from New York in France, perhaps Marseilles, for the United States, having on board as passengers, Lucius Bonaparte and his family, they having then determined to migrate to this country. The ship, for some purpose, was detained at a neutral port, before leaving the Mediterranean, where a British squadron was riding at anchor. The English Admiral boarded the Hercules, and ascertaining who were his passengers, very civilly informed Capt. West that he might depart with his ship unmolested, but that Mr. Bonaparte and his family must remain behind. The ship sailed without them. My informant received his information from the Captain of the Hercules.

Another Great Swindle in England.—The commercial world in Europe has been startled with another of those stupendous frauds which every now and then fright the British isle from its propriety. The National Insurance and Investment Association has suddenly wound up under the joint stock companies' act and the bankruptcy code, disclosing an indebtedness of upwards of \$1,600,000, while its assets amount to only \$275,000. The names of several persons of high rank and standing figure as those of directors in this great swindle.

Paris is said to be gay, in spite of the national finances, and the great falling off in American trade. The shops and the hotels suffer, but the theatres are crowded to excess. At the "Italian" Miss Phillips has made a veritable success. Even Jules Janin gives her great praise. Paris is glad to hear and see something fresh.

The fate of Charleston may be shared before long by other Southern cities. The Montgomery, Ala. Advertiser says that no less than seven attempts were made to set fire to that city within two days, and that two of them were partially successful.

The National Intelligence, in answer to an inquiry, says that the General-in-Chief, in accepting the services of the French Princes on his staff, did not require an oath of allegiance from them. They decline to receive any pay.

The powder found on the farm of Gov. Claib. Jackson consists of 175 kegs, and is part of the powder collected by Jackson in the spring, while he was engaged in arming the accomplices under the guise of armed neutrality.

A snow-shoe club—the first of the kind, we believe, ever started in Quebec under the patronage of Lord Monck.

AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE.—The new spectacle play is a delightful novelty. Fairies, fairies, demons, scenes of enchantment, gorgeous scenery, beautiful tableaux, showers of gold, and all that we read of fairy land, are here presented to the eye. The attraction of a score of beautiful girls, in a bewitching costume, whose bright eyes flash with mirth and merriment, "playing soldiers," is one not likely to be neglected, even in the presence of the circulating medium. The play is founded on the story of the Forty Thieves, and its oriental character enables the management to present scenes of unrivaled splendor. The piece is admirably got up, and when the joints of the machinery of the parts are pressed by practice, it will equal any spectacle ever presented on this stage. It will be repeated every night till further notice.

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RIVER MATTERS.

ARRIVALS.—The Major Anderson, from Cincinnati with an assorted cargo; James Duncan, from St. Louis, with a full load of produce, bound at Cincinnati, to which she added quite a large quantity of New Albany. Tito, from the mouth of the Kentucky river, with a tolerable trip of hay and produce; Maconic Gem, from the Kentucky river, with the same; Load from Evansville, discharging a small lot of corn.

DEPARTURES.—Major Anderson, for Cincinnati, with her usual trip of freight and passengers; Tito, for Carrollton; Maconic Gem, for Kentucky river, both with medium cargoes; Load, for Cincinnati, full load.

RIVER AND WEATHER.—Water rising, with five and a half feet in the canal, by the main. Weather clear and cool.

The Logansville Inspector of this port yesterday concluded their investigation of the collision between the steamers Belle Grovie and Freestone, opposite the Little Miami river, on the 29th of November, by which the former was sunk. The report of the Logansville inspectors find that the Grovie was ascending the Ohio, near the Kentucky shore, her proper place in the river, and that the Freestone was descending the river, and that the latter was the vessel at fault. The report further states that she intended to keep up that shore. The Freestone was seven to eight hundred yards distant, descending the river, and was seen by the Grovie. The latter vessel blew the whistle, and made for the Kentucky shore, when by continuing down the middle of the river, her proper place would have been maintained. The Logansville inspectors would have occurred. The result of this violation of the pilot rules was by the pilot of the Freestone, the collision. The Logansville inspectors conclude that the act was the result of reprehensible carelessness on the part of the Freestone.

LENDING TO THE LORD.—A poor man, some of whose family were sick, lived near Deacon Murray, and occasionally called upon him for a supply of milk. One morning he came while the family were at breakfast. Mrs. Murray rose to wait upon him, but the Deacon said to her:—"Wait till after breakfast." She did so, and meanwhile the Deacon made inquiries of the man concerning his family and circumstances. After family worship the Dea-

When they got into the yard, the Deacon, pointing to one of the oows, exclaimed—"There, take that cow, and drive her home." The man thanked him heartily for the cow, and started home; but the Deacon was observed to stand in the attitude of deep thought until the man had gone some rods. He then looked up, and called out—"Hey, bring that cow back." The man looked around, and the Deacon added—"Let that cow come back, and you come back, too." He did so, and when he

came back into the yard again, the Deacon said—"There now, take your pick out of the cowa. I ain't going to leud the Lord the poorest oow I've got."

Orleanists, shows that the seizure of the rebel commissioners was justifiable and warranted by the precedents established by England herself. The Constitutionnel, the Patrie and the Pays, on the other hand stigmatize the act as outrageous, and unauthorized by international law; but, when it is remembered that these three journals are the least influential in Paris, we have a right to presume that their unfavorable opinion will weigh but little in the scale against us.

son, Jas. S. McLaanahan, of Chambersburg, Pa., former member of Congress from that State, died suddenly in New York on Monday night last. He was born at Antrim, Franklin county, in 1808, was educated at Dickinson College, Carlisle, and afterwards studied for the bar. He settled in Chambersburg, and soon took a high rank in his profession. In 1841 he was elected to the Pennsylvania Senate. In 1849 and 1851 he was elected to Congress, and made a most faithful and excellent member. He has not appeared in public life since his retirement from Congress.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT FROM A GUY—Mrs. John Willis, residing at Palermo, Oswego county, met with a singular accident on Sunday evening last. She was sitting in the room rocking a cradle with one foot, when a loaded ride, which was standing or hanging against the wall, was thrown down by the jar of some one shutting the door, and discharged—the ball passing over the cradle and entering her leg below the knee. One of the bones was struck and badly shattered.

THE PENSACOLA.—The new man-of-war Pensacola is still lying down at Alexandria, blockaded by the rebel batteries on the Potomac. Her armament is now complete, except one gun. She has now twenty-two 68-pounders, and will take on a 150-pound gun in a few days. When ready for service, she can throw 600 pounds of shot and shell every discharge, and in one hour can fire twenty tons, at a distance of from two to three miles.

THE MINERAL OIL BUSINESS.—The Petro-

leum oil business at Allegheny city, Pa., is said to be immense. The wharves are crowded with it, and flatboats are constantly taking it away. Numbers of refineries have been erected, but they cannot supply the demand. Crude oil is sold there at 15 cents per gallon, the refined oil 32 cents for the best qualities, prices which pay liberally.

CAN THE REBELS SAVE THEIR BACK?
We say No! First, because they have no salt. The Southern winter, which is only for a few weeks, has now come, and there is not salt enough in the whole South for

table use, saying nothing about their pork. They are trying a substitute for salt petre but it won't save them

On the south wall of a church at Lewisham, Kent, is a monument to a woman of great excellence: "Elizabeth, wife of Major General Hamilton, who was married near forty-seven years, and never did one thing to displease her husband."

A frightful catastrophe is reported to have occurred near Sarahsville, Noble County, Ohio, a few nights since. The

dwelling house of Gill Moore took fire in the night, and burned to the ground, with Mrs. Moore and four children inside in bed asleep. They were all utterly consumed.

Notice to Owners of Property.
GRADING AND PAVING OF SIDEWALKS.

The owners of lots and parts of lots designated below are hereby informed that ordinances have been passed by the General Council, approved and published, requiring the grading and paving of the sidewalks in front of their respective lots; and if, there-

fail to have the same properly done within thirty days from the date hereof, the work will be done under a contract at the expense of lot owners, as provided for in the 3d section of the 7th article of the City Charter; all drains from lots or houses to be conveyed under the sidewalks in iron pipes, in accordance with the ordinance regulating the same; said work, when executed, to be received by the City Engineer, and if not done in every respect in accordance with specifications regulating sidewalk paving, to be repaired at the expense

To grade and pave sidewalks on the north side of Madison street, between Preston and Jackson streets.

Michael Schneider.....	150 feet.
George Shoemaker.....	30 "
Jan. Gray	25 "
Mary Brown.....	30 "
John Henneberger.....	30 "
L. Howarth.....	85 "
E. B. Hinkle.....	20 "
R. D. B. Powell.....	23 "
Bridget Butler.....	20 "
Wm. Weston.....	20 "

Wm. Pickett.....	20	"
Mrs. H. A. Hunter.....	20	"
T. C. Tucker.....	40	"
D. J. Bowles.....	60	"

J. M. DEELEN, Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Dec. 16, 1861. d17 d10

Notice to Pump Contractors.

Proposals for bids will be received at my office until Friday, December 27, 1861, 12 o'clock a. m., for repairing and keeping in repair the public pumps in the Eastern and Western Districts, for the space of three

years from the 1st of January, 1862 Bills
for each district to be made separate, and
the usual security required.

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